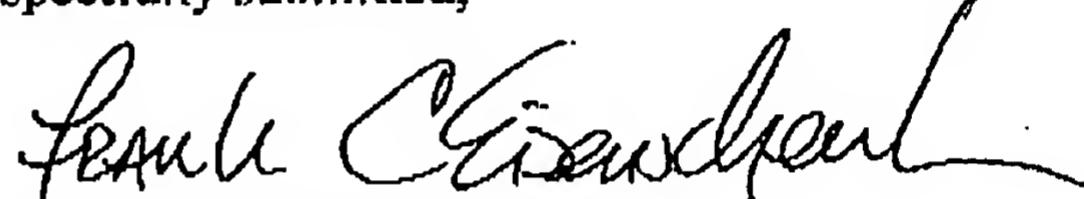


Remarks

Favorable consideration of the claims now presented, in view of the remarks and amendments set forth herein, is earnestly solicited.

Applicants also invite the Examiner to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any of this response, or if the Examiner believes a telephone interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

Respectfully submitted,



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